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TO: ASSESSMENT APPEALS BOARDS COUNTY COUNSELS
COUNTY ASSESSORS COUNTY RECORDERS
COUNTY AUDITOR-CONTROLLERS COUNTY TAX COLLECTORS
COUNTY BOARDS OF SUPERVISORS OTHER INTERESTED PARTIES
COUNTY CLERKS

RE: TAXPAYERS' BILL OF RIGHTS HEARINGS

I am pleased to invite you to attend our annual Taxpayers' Bill of Rights public hearings before the Members of the California State Board of Equalization. The hearings will provide you, other local agency representatives, and taxpayers with the opportunity to address the issues identified in the Taxpayers' Rights Advocate's latest Annual Report, discuss means to correct problems described in the Report, and to comment on all Board-administered revenue programs or local property tax issues. Individuals can present their verbal or written proposals on changes to laws or to the Board's procedures, policies, or rules, including suggestions that may improve voluntary taxpayer compliance and the relationship between citizens and the state and local government employees who serve them. The hearings will be held as follows and are scheduled to start at approximately 1:30 p.m. each day:

Wednesday September 21, 2005	Board of Equalization District Office, Suite 207 5901 Green Valley Circle, Culver City
Tuesday October 25, 2005	Board of Equalization Capitol Square Building 1 st Floor Board Room, Room 121 450 N Street, Sacramento

I have enclosed flyers and/or posters for this year's hearings. Please display the posters in public areas of your office(s) and make the flyers available to taxpayers and other interested parties.

If you have any questions regarding the hearings or would like to be scheduled as a speaker, please contact Mr. Mark Sutter at (916) 324-2797 (Mark.Sutter@boe.ca.gov) or Ms. Laura Bowman at (916) 445-8267 (Laura.Bowman@boe.ca.gov). If you would like additional copies of the flyer or poster, please contact Ms. Patricia Rochin at (916) 445-0703 (Patricia.Rochin@boe.ca.gov).

Sincerely,

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